The Fatal Chair Receives Its First Victim.

IN THE EMBRACE OF DEATH.

The Electricide Walks Firmly to His Doom.

HIS PASSAGE OVER TO ETERNITY

Horrible Scenes in the Silent Chamber of Death.

THE AUTOPSY THIS AFTERNOON.

The Body Badly Burned by the Electrodes --- Two Shocks Were Necessary---One Lasted for Five Minutes --- A Sickening Sight,

AUBURN, N. Y., Aug. 6 .- With a short, sharp shock, painless so far as the world will ever know, the soul of Wil-Ham Kemmler was separated from his body at 6:40 o'clock this morning. A cup adjusted to the head of a man bound captive in a strange looking chair, a lever quickly swung around the arc of a semi circle, a quick convulsion, a sudden revival of muscular action, another turn of the lever, a pause, a room filled with sick- were ordered to report at the prison at ening fumes-and twenty-seven wit- 6 o'clock. An hour before their comnesses of the first electricide in history ing Rev. Dr. Houghton and Chaplain knew that the death of Tillie Ziegler had been avenged in law, and the crime of William Kemmler explated so far as were taken down to Kemmler's cell

sight. A lynching bee has about it The witnesses as they arrived, gathered an attendant excitement, born of hur- in the Warden's office. In an inner ried, boisterous action, which lends au artificial strength to the nerves of par- phernalia for the autopsy. They had ticipants and onlookers alike. But the been in conference until 2 o'clock preslow solemnity of a public execution, paring the preliminaries. judicial killing are depressing enough to weaken the nerves and undermine the courage of the bravest.

So while Warden Durston could have found a hundred willing aubstitutes for any one of the twenty-seven witnesses, which the law had compelled him to call in, it is safe to say that no one of the twenty-seven found any hilarious enjoyment in the spectacle. It is feet from the ground in constant comsomething to be able to say that munication with New York city by teleyou have witnessed the first phone, ready to give the world the electricide; perhaps that thought signal that the execution had taken repaid many of the witnesses for the place. endurance of the slient horror of the spectacle. But the scene in that little room, deep-walled within the Aubura prison, will live in the memories of those who saw it as the fearful de- that when Kemmler was dead he criptions of Zola's fresh-born streetties haunt the mind and appeal to the second sense for months and even years.

The efforts to surround the affair with a halo of mystery, such as the law contemplated, was not altogether successful. The outer world did not know the oner (Kemmier) was supposed to be in exact hour which had been fixed for the event, but it knew the cell to enter the execution chamber. time approximately and the little assemblage of lolterers at the gate of the tirely ignorant. He knew from his prison before dawn this morning was guards that it had been the intention to good evidence that the interest in the execute him early in the morning of event was keen and general. Besides some day in the first part of the week these curiosity assekers an active, anx that Monday came that the penalty or lous corps of newspaper reporters gath- would be inflicted on Tuesday or ered in the broad road in front of the Wednesday morning. Monday it could prison grounds and waited for the not be, because his good friend and adsignal that should tell them that the | viser, Dr. Houghton, had not been near execution was over.

Just across the road, in the disalylighted freight room of the New York | would have been at his side. Central Railroad, at little tables improon a dozen messages filled for different papers in New York city and elsewhere.

bling over the keys. ment to the men at the other end of | keepers. the fine that the tragedy had been on has been with him from the beginning. acted. At one end of the telegraph, and who first led his thoughts in the desks sat an operator of the United direction of religion, was with blue Press, while the special representative from moon to midnight. Kemmier of the United Press, who had come to talked with him acmetimes about the Anburn at the invitation of Warden | little stories in which he has taken Dutston, sat umong the jurymen in the such an interest. "The good Daniel," little prison cell noting the adjustment of the straps that bound the prisoner children chatter. A strong friendship to the electric chair and all the has grown up between these two men preparations which swiftly preceded so different in their dispositions and in front and a little to the right of the ex- | tered the room, and during the process

gathered, in response to the call of Warden Durston, at 6 o'clock this morning. The law named twenty seven as the number of those who should witness the execution, as assistants or in some offic al espacity.

Of these District Attorney Quinby and the sheriff of Eric County, the county in which Kemmler was convicted, were two. The prisoner had been allowed the privilege of selecting two spiritual advisers, and he had chosen the chaplain of the prison, Mr. Yates, and Dr. Houghton of the First Methodist Church, his constant companion in his affliction since the light of religion first dawned upon him. The law furthe: n med as persons to be invited to the execution by the warden one judge of the Supreme Bench of the State, two doctors, two electrical experts, and a jury of twelve persons. These, with the warden and his six assistants, make up the list of twenty-seven. The list of those who witnessed the

execution is as follows: Dr. Carlos F. McDonald of New York, chairman of the State Lunacy Commission; Dr. George F. Shrady of New York, editor of the Medical Record; Dr. A. P. Southwick, the father of the electrical execution bill; Dr. George E. Fell, Dr. C. M. Daniels, and Dr. Charles Fowler of Buffalo, Dr. W. I. Jenkins, deputy coroner of New York; Dr. Louis Batch, secretary of the State Board of Health of Albany; Dr. J. W. Nellis of Albany, Dr. Henry A. Argue of Corning, Hon. Tracy C. Becker of Buffalo, the referee, who took testimony on the first appeal as to the constitutionality of the law; Frank W. Mack of the Associated Press of New York, Robert Dunlop of New York, District Attorney Quimby of Buffalo, who had charge of the murderer in Buffalo; C. R. Huntly of Buffalo, an electrician; G. G. Bain of the United Press, Washington; Drs. T. K. Smith, J. M. Jenkins and H. E. Allison of

District Attorney Quimby of Buffalo saw the preparation for the event, but he was taken sick and he left the chamber before the execution. He fainted in the hallway.

At 5 o'clock this morning there was a rapping at room doors and a general awakening through the hotels of Auburn. Warden Durston had left a quiet "call" for his witnesses and they Yates appeared at the gates of the prison and were admitted. After brief consultation with the Warden they human hands could force its explation. where the condemned man was already An execution is always a ghastly awake and talking with his keeper. room Dr. McDonald and Dr. Daniel went over the instruments and the para-

the quiet, formal preparations for a In his dining room on the second floor of the prison building, Warden Durston had spread a luncheon and convict prisoners in white caps and aprens served coffee and sandwiches to the hungry assemblage.

Outside the prison gate there was a constantly augmenting crowd which examined each newcomer with curious interest. Across the street was a group of newspaper correspondents, two of them perched on a platform twenty

The consultation of physicians last night did not determine the programme of the autopsy. Its details were left until the last minute in doubt. Warden Dursten told Dr. Southwick at 6:15 would determine what was to be done with the body. The Warden had not announced the time for the execution o take place, but it was the general impression that it was to occur before the prisoners had been let out of their cells early in the morning. The prisignorance of the time fixed until the Warden should summon him from his

But the little murderer was not enlast April. He had felt from the time him all through Sunday, and he know well that if his doom had been intmediately impending Dr. Houghton

So when Tuesday morning broke and vised for the purpose, sat a long row of the gray reflected light stole down the telegraph operators sent from New York | little corridor and no nummons name, by the Western Union Telegraph Com- | he felt that the last day of his life had pany, watching for the sign of release | begun-that he had twenty-four hours more in which to prepare bimself for the hearafter. He spent that last day much as he had spent those busindi-The tingers of the operators hung trem- ately before it-in writing on cards and scrape of paper the monotonous repiti-The first elick from the sounder from of his name, in talking with his

Baniel McNaughton, the keeper, who us the autorderer has been pleased to christen him, was moved deeply by his

shock of the man's death. midnight arrived and then the keeper joined the watchers in the execution room, who were giving the fatal chair | has got to die, and if he has anything the last touches. It stood at one end of | to say be will say it." a little square room lighted from a point seven feet from the floor by two windows, and through their openings could be seen the gray dawn, whose more than a month.

It was not a very formidable object, this chair of death. It was built like a rough rolling chair, without cushions or springs to make its erabrace more comfortable. Small difference to the man who was to alt in it, whether its surface was padded or bare. At the sides and on the arms of the chair were straps of heavy leather, with sturdy buckles, capable of holding prostrate the most energetic of struggling men, should the prisoner prove recalcitrant, or of subduing the twitching or the convulsions that might, in spite of theory and experiment, pervade the frame flooded by the electric current. Above the head of the chair hung a rubber cup containing a sponge.

The wire by which it was suspended passed through a wooden figure four, clamped to the back of the chair and made adjustable to any height above it. At the lower part of the back of the wire from these cups ran to the two poles of the dynamo, whose wirewound arms were kept whirling at tapld speed through most of the night. On their way to the dynamo room they passed through the voltage metre which hung on the wall of the cell and through the circuit of two rows of incandescent electric lights that hung on the wall of the adjoining room.

These incandescent lamps, like the voltage of the metre, were intended to test the force of the electric current. And as the electricians swung over the lever that threw the lamps into circuit with the big Westinghouse dynamo the blaze that illuminated the chamber gave evidence that whatever faults the electric apparatus might possess, a weak current was not one of them.

In one corner of the execution room was a small sink. This room had been used as a reception room for convicts, and here they had been washed before being put in prison. On the wall directly opposite the window were several gas and water pipes. From the centre of the celling were suspended two ordilong. It closed or opened the circuit in which the lamps were placed. To the right of this was another lever, like the first in construction. By its operation the circuit connected with the electric chair was closed, while at the same time the electric lamps were thrown out of circuit.

All of this apparatus had been tested again and again. The last touches, which told of its security and promised faithful performance of its duty, were given less than twenty-four hours before the time fixed upon to put it into practical operation. There was no question | see that things are all right," was in the minds of the three electrical experts who looked over the simple mechanism about the capacity of the engine of destruction to do all that was required of it.

In the cell only a few feet away where Kemmler had spent so many months the condemned man was lyingon his little iron cot, snatching a few he pro' rest. The "wonderful nerve" which had been the subject of so much comment and which had been used so five to illustrate the brute character of the mun, steed by him to the last. He had assured Mrs. Durston in his conversation with her many mouths ago that he did not fear his fate, and that he would meet it quietly and bravely.

He believed the assurances she gave that the experience would be a painless one. He knew nothing of the science of which he was to make such a novel experiment. But he had faith in the word of those about him, and he ruited on what they had told him. He slept through the first night of the week "likea huby," as one of his attendants said.

The Beatle Scene. At 6:38 the door at the right of the execution chair leading toward the execution room opened, and Warden Dureton's figure appeared in the doorway. Behind him walked a spruce looking. broad-shouldered. little man, full bearded, with cerefully arranged bals clustering around his forehead. He was dressed in a suit of new clothing-a sack cost and vest of dark gray material, trounces of a mixed sellow pattern, and a white shirt, whose polished front was expend directly below a little bow of iswu of a black and white check parturn. This was William Kemmler, the man who was about to undergo the scutence of death. Behind blut walked Dr. W. E. Heughton and Chaplain Yates. Kemmler was by far the coolest man in the party. He did not look about the room with any special shigted of interest. He hesitated, as the door was closed behind him and carefully looked by an attendant on the other

"Give me a chair, will you?" said the Warden. Some one quickly handed have lost courage. He was as calm in him a wooden chair which he placed in the chair as he had been before he co-

Durston, the Warden's wife, whose without any evidence of fear or of emotion was so great that as the time | especial interest in the event. His face for the execution approached she was was not stolld-it was not ludifferent. obliged to leave the city to prepare her- | He looked, if anything, as though he self to undergo elsewhere the nervous | was rather pleased at being the centre of interest. Warden Durston stood at So "the good Daniel" and the con- the left of the chair, with his hand on demned man sat and talked occasion- the back of it, and almost at the moment ally about religion and sometimes that Kemmier took his seat, he began about more commonplace things until | to speak in short, quick periods, "Now, gentlemen," he said, "this is William

As the warden finished Kemmler looked up and said in a high-keyed though he had prepared himself with light the murderer had not known for | the speech: "Well, I wish every one good luck to this world, and I think I am going to a good place, and the papers have been saying a lot of stuff that Isn't so. That's all I have to say."

Kemmler. I have warned him that he

With the conclusion of the speech he turned his back on the jury, took off his coat and handed it to the warden. This disclosed the fact that a hole had been cut from the band of the trousers down, so as to expose the base of the spine.

When his cost was off Kemmler turned in the direction of the door through which he had come into the room and began to unbutton his vest. At the same time the warden was drawing the interfering drapery of his shirt through the hole in the trousers and entting it off, so as to leave the little surface of flesh, against which one of the electrodes was to press, absolutely bare. Warden Durston called attention to the fact that it was not necessary to remove his vest, and Kemmler calmly buttoned it again and carefully arranged chair was another cup and sponge. The his tie. "Don't hurry about this matter." said the warden. "Be perfectly cool." He was perfectly cool. He was

by all odds the coolest man in the room, When his tie was arranged, he sat fown in the electric chair as quietly as hough he was sitting down to dinner. Warden Durston stood on the right and George Vieling of Albany on the left. They began immediately to adjust the straps around Kemmler's body. the condemned man holding up his arms, so as to give them every amistance. When the straps had been adjusted about the body, the arms were fastened down and then the warden leaned over and parted Kemmler's feet. so as to bring his legs near the legs of the chair.

While the straps were being arranged Kemmler said to the Warden and his assistant: "Take your time. Don't be grew business like. in a hurry. Be sure that everything is all right." Two or three times he repeated these phrases. Warden Durston reassured him with the remark that it would not hart him and that he (Durstop) would be with him all through. nary gas fixtures with double arms. It was rather a certain pride in the The wall and ceiling had been painted exactness of the experiment, He a gulet gray. The floor was of tough | seemed to have a greater interest in its boards. To the right of the box which success than those who had made the held the incandescent lamps in the next preparations for it, and who were room was the lever, eighteen inches watching its progress to its final fatal conclusion.

When the straps had been adjusted to the body and limbs the warden placed his hand on Kemmler's head and held it against the rubber cushion, which tun down the back of the chair. Kemmler's eyes were turned toward the opposite side of the room. Before they had fellowed the warden in his movements about. Then the coudemned man made one or two remarks in a perfectly clear, composed tone of voice. "Well, I wish everybody good luck," was one of them, and "Durston, another.

Deputy Vieling unfastened the thumbscrews which held the figure "4" at the back of the chair is place and began to lower it so that the rubber cup which held the saturated sponge pressed against the top of Kemmler's head. The warden assisted in the preparation by Lolding Kemmler's head. When the cup had been adjusted and clamped in place, Kemmier said: "Oh, you'd betor preis that down further I guess. Press that down." So the head-place was unclamped and pressed further

While It was being done Kemmler said: "Well, I want to do the best I can. I can't do any better than that." Warden Durston took in his hand the leather harness which was to be adjusted to Kemmler's head. It was a ling consciousness. muzzle of broad leather straps which went neross the forehead and the clibs of the man in the chair. The top strap pressed down against the nour of Kemtoler until it flattened it down stightly over his face. As the harness was put in place Dr. Spitzka, who was standing near the chair, said softly: "God bless you, Kemmler," and the condemned man answered, "Thank you, softly.

The door leading into the room where the switches were arranged was partly open. A man stood in the discovery. Reyond blur there were two other men-Which of them was to touch the level and make the connection with the circle was not known. Warden Durston say t t never will be known. The dynamic to the muchine shop was runtiled at good speed and the voit metre on the wall registered a little more than 1,000 Warden Durston turned to the assembled doctors-those immediate cound the execution chair-and ad-

"Ho the doctors say it is all right" Hardly a minute had elapsed wthe adjustment of the straps. There was no time for Kemmler to have weakened, even if his marvelous conside, as though he did not know exactly | ugo had not been equal to the test of further delay.

But there was no fear that he would

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stepped forward with a long syringe in his hand and quickly but deftly wetted the two sponges which were at the electrodes-one on top of the head, and the other at the base of the spine. The water which he put on them was Impregnated with salt. Dr. Spitzkaanswered the Warden's question with a sharp "All right," which was echoed by others about him. "Ready," said Durston, again, and then "Good-by,"

He stepped to the door and through the opening said to some one in the next room (but to whom will probably never be known with certainty): "Everything is ready." In almost immediate voice, without any healtation, and as response, and as the stop watches in the hands of some of the witnesses registered 6:431, the electric current was turned on. There was a sudden convulsion of the frame in the chair. A spasm went over it from head to foot, confined by the straps and springs that help it firmly, so that no limb or other parts of the body stirred more than a small fraction of an inch from its rest-

ing place. The twitching that the muscles of the face underwent gave to it for a moment an expression of pain. But no cry escaped from the lips, which were free to move at will; no sound came forth to suggest that consciousness lasted more than an infinitesimal fraction of a second-beyond the calculation of the human mind. The body remained in this rigid position for seventeen seconds. The jury and the witnesses, who had up to this moment remained seated, came burriedly forward and surrounded the chair. There was no movement of the body beyond the first convulsion.

It was not a pretty sight—this man in his shirt sleeves, bound hand, foot, body, and even head, with a heavy framework pressing down on the top of his skuil, still with the stillness of death. Dr. McDenald held his stopwatch in his hand, and, as the seconds flew by, he noted their passage. Dr. Spitzka, too, looked at the stop-watch, and, as the tenth second expired, he cried out: "Stop;" "stop," cried other voices about. The Warden turned to the doorway and called out "Step" to the man at the lever. A quick movement of the arm and the electric current was switched off. There was a relaxation of the body in the chair -a slight relaxation-but the straps held it so firmly in the chair that there was not a quarter of an inch variation in the position of any part of the frame. The quiet little group around the chair

'He's dead," said Dr. Splizka, calmly. "Oh, he's dead," re-echoed Dr. McDonald, with firm confidence. The rest of the witnesses nodded their acquiescence. There was no question in the mind of any one but that the stiff upright object before them was lifeless. But it was not fear that Kemmler felt.

It was rather a certain pride in the evitable effect. This max question was:

evacuress of the experiment. He What was to be done with the body.

Dr. Spitzka stepped forward and alled attention to the appearance of loubted post-mortem color. No one disputed this. Dr. Spitzka turned round in a business-like way and cointing to the harness-said "Oh, undo Now the body can be taken to ospital." The Warden replied pesses go until he had their certificates. All of this conversation took but a minute. Dr. Baich was bending over the body looking at the exposed skin. Suddenly he cried out sharply: "Dr. McDonald, see that rupture." In a moment Dr. Spitzka and Dr. McDonald had bent over and looking where Dr. Balch was pointing at a little red sp t on the hand that rested on the right arm of the chair. The index flager of the hand had curved backward as the flexor muscles contracted, and had scraped a small hole in the skin at the base of the thumb on the back of the hand. There

nothing strange in this, alone but what was strange was that the Turn the current on instantly." This man is not dead, cried Dr. Spitzka. Faces grew white and forms Durston sprang to the doorway and ed: "Turn on the current." But a current could not be be turned on. Vicen the signal to stop had come, the which gave the sign to the camo was almost at a stand almost imperceptible current. The operator sprang to the button and gave a arp, quick signal. There was a rapid that may or may not have been reviv-

As the group of horor-stricken increas stood helplessly by, all eyes ced on the chair, Kenunler's lips ben to deep splittle, and, its a moment are, his chest moved, and from his outh came a heavy startorous sound, alcheming and increasing with every spiration—if respiration it was, here was no voice but that of the r len, crying to the operator to form n the current, and the wheering ound, half group, which forced itself ough the still chamber with ghartly

Some of the witnesses turned stray om the sight. One of them lay down, int and sick. It takes a long, lond c to tell the story. It seemed a lo ce reaching a climax. In reality or were but seventy three sevents i interval which clupted between the the signal came from the dynami-om. It came with the same whilen so that had marked the bird shock The sound which had hereited the listilly as the hody more carry because

The sliney come still despend from the month and ran slowly in those lines down the beard and on to the gray cst. Twice there were twitchings on the body as the electricians in the nethom threw the current on and off.
There was to be no mistake this time about the hilling. The dynamo was run up to its highest speed, and time and again the full current of 1,000 volts was sont through the body | terday by acclamation.

the last act in the celebrated Kemmler case.

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Dr. Daniel, who looked at his watch excitedly and who throughout bad an approximate idea of the time at least, and that it was four and a half minutes The Warden's assistants, wh stood over the dynamo, said that on the second signal the machinery was run only three and a half minutes alto-gether. It will never be known with any degree of accuracy what the space of time was. No one was anxious to give the signal to stop. All dreaded the re-sponsibility of offering to the man hance to revive or to give again at leas those appearances of returning anima-tion which had startled and so stekened

the witnesses a few minutes before.

As the anxious group stood sliently watching the body, suddenly there arose from it a white vaport bearing with it a pungent and sickening odor. The body was burning. Again ther were cries to stop the current and again the Warden sprang to the door and gave the quick order to his assistants. The current stopped and again there was the relaxation of the body. No doubt this time that the current had done its work, if not well, at least completely. Dr. Fell, who stood at the side of the special correspondent of the United Press, turned and said: "Well, there is no doubt about one thing, the man never suffered an lots of pain. The Antopay.

The autopsy was begun at about 9 clock. It was in charge of Dr. lenkins of New York (who handled the knife), Dr. Daniel, Dr. McDonald and Dr. Spitzka. Dr. Fell prepared the blood drawn from the body for examination under the microscope. It was found when the body was spread out on the table that a very severe rigor mortls

had set in. There was little relaxation, and it was with difficulty that the corpse was straightened out. On examination it was found that the second electrode had burned through the skin and into the flesh at the base of the spine, making a scar nearly five inches in diameter. The heart, lungs and other organs were taken out and were found to be in good, healthy con dition. They will be preserved for further examination. The brain also was taken out and it, too, will be carefully examined.

REPORTING EXECUTIONS. EFFECT OF THE NEW LAW ON PRESS AND

TELEGRAPH. NEW YORK, Aug. 6,-The press asoclations made elaborate preparations to telegraph to papers in this State and all over the country the fullest details of the execution of Kemmier, and the Western Union Telegraph Company placed the amplest facilities unreservedly at their command. By so doing all are liable to prosecution for violating the prohibitory clauses of the Electrica Execution law, which make it a mis demeanor to publish any details of an execution beyond the fact that the

convict had been killed in accordance with law. William B. Somerville, superintendent of the press bureau of the Western Union Telegraph, was much surprised the nose, which, he said, had an un-doubted post-mortem color. No one and under a statutory obligation transmit all messages filed with it, exan obscene or indecent nature. Mr. Somerville laid great stress upon the themselves were the only persons con cerned in the publishing, and held that the Telegraph Company was wholly wishout responsibility in permitting the use of the wires.

Frederick Mason, in charge of the Asociated Press in this city, said they were merely agents for the collection of news and had nothing to do with it. Judge Bedford acting District At-torney, declared that the press associations and the telegraph company were liable, but would express no opinion in

Pulitica in Oktahowa.

GUTHRIE, OKLAROMA, Aug. 6.-Yesterday the first election in the Territory was held for members of the Legislature. the Republicans, Democrats and Alli-ance. The indications are that the Al | For 3 tance will carry the seven countles. but that the contest will be close in the pedied, and it is thought the Republi-cans will have a small majority. Purely local issues were at stake.

Suttchmen on a Strike-INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Aug. 6.-The switchmen of the Pennsylvania lines have been in consultation for some days with the officials of the read endeavoring to adjust wages. The mon de ing Superintendent Daribezton gave the mand, and forty five of the switchmen went out. I ness soon settled the rouble will prove serious for half the ines centering here are under the Penn-

An Officer Shoots a Man.

CREAR FALLS, IOWA, Aug. 6-Monday night Pollerman Tem Stragey shot D. M. Jones and George Miller. what intextented and Jones was trying to take him home when the officer intopsen and died un hour afterward. Miller was wounded in the thigh-silegley is in jall at Walacise. Virginititivity and Black.

business part of Versalling is burning. Inchien buildings have already been desirated and the flames are rapidly parading. There is no fire apparatus. wait probably be humed.

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Congressman Function Renominated.

MANY WITNESSES TESTIFY TO LT. GUYS GOOD CHARACTER

A FAITHFUL AND VIGILANT OFFIGER.

Ex-Commissioners Webb and West on the Stand

TO IMPEACE BURGESS' REPUTATION.

The Trial Dragging Its Slow Length Along --- An Adjournment Taken Until Saturday Morning.

The trial of Lieutenant Guy was resumed this morning before Commisstoners Douglass, Hine and Robert at the District building on the part of the defense. RICHARD SHITH.

attorney at law, was the first witness called by Mr. Claughton. He testified that he knew Lieutenant Guy; his reputation for character was good and he had always heard of the Lieutenant as being an efficient officer.

Ex Policeman George Shurland, now an employe of the Government Printing Office, testified that he knew Mrs. Mc-Donald, he never told Mrs. McDonald that had be carried out the orders gizen him on the night that he went to Mrs. Boyd's house on Sixteenth street he would not have been dismissed from the force; he denied that he was drunk

on that night. Mrs. Mary McDonald testified to knowing Shurland, he came to her house to see her husband, he said to me: "I am the man who got into trouble in Lieutenant Guy's precinct; nad I done as Lieutenant Guy told me I would not have gotten into trouble;" he said that he went down town AND PROT FULL.

"I will swear to this anywhere," continued witness, "and Shuriand need not try to deny what he said to me." On cross examination witness said it was three years last March when Shurland came to her house: it was after dark. Licutenant Guy, she said, had saved her husband from being dismissed.

from the force on the charge of intoxi-cation; at the time Shurland came to her house her husband and Shurland worked together in the Government Printing Office.

She had a letter written to Lieutenant Guy by a friend in which she told him she thought she could contradict Shur-

Samuel S. Noland was called. At this stage of the proceedings Mr. reference to

WHAT QUESTIONS SHOULD BE ASKED witness. Whether is to the general reputation of a party on trial or his character for truth and verseity in the

Teoncede that," said Mr. Claugh-Mr. Noland, do you know Sergeant Burgesa?" was asked witness by Mr. Chaughton.

Yes, sir: I knew him in George-Do you. know what was his general

eputation for truth and veracity ?"
Commissioner Douglass—You must "Do you know what Burgess' reputadon for truth and veracity is:" He has been out of my neighbor-

hood for some time and I cannot say. "Has it been more than five years duce Burgess was in Georgetown, in the Yes, sir," "What was his general reputation

while in the First Ward, at George-District Attorney Regulton Objected He said the quantion aboutd be asked

What is the repulation now?
On again being questioned, witness There were three tickets in the field- | said that Burgen' reputation in George-

FOR TRUTH AND VEHACITY WAS BAD. When he first saw Burgess in Georgetowns. In Guthrie 2,000 votes were | Cook's carriage factory. On cross expedied, and it is thought the Republi-Hurgess' reputation when he was on the police force in Georgetown. He was known to get junches without paying for them. Another time Burgess had a arty convicted in the Police Court whom he (witness) thought was into He had heard people talking. Northwest

> Mr. Noland, you have given two tostances of improper conduct on the part of Burgoic was it from these that you formed an opinion of the general reputation of Burgers " was asked Yes; this and the common talk

among the people. "Can you remember any out person"

You have had a bad opinion of Bur-"Yes, I did not think he did right. Major Morgan had known Lightenaus Guy hartwelve years. Witness had been major and superintendent of police from February 1817, to November, 1818. Goy was a settinant them ha

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isw, had known Lieutenaut Guy since the winter of 1879; his attention had been especially called to Lieutenaut Guy in

SEVERAL VERY IMPORTANT INSURANCE cases
and the excellent report he made; his
sugacity, efficiency and faithfulness,
witness sald, were good.
Commissioner Douglass—Did Guy
get any gratuity from the insurance

"But you did as counsel," added the

"Oh, yes, I did," was the reply.

Colonel Christy was complimented on making such a good witness.

Pollooman McNealy testified that he had climbed on the top of a tree box, but COLLD NOT FEE GAMBLING

in Hertzog's place from the street, as had been testified to vesterday by Detective Block, he could see a man's head who was sented at a table. Sergeant Harbison and Officer Cattell were with him (witness) at the time. Detective Block said the room occu-pted by the fishing club at Herizog's was on the second floor, but Officer McNealy said it was on the fourth

At 11:45 a, m., an adjournment was taken until Saturday morning at 19 o'clock.

SENATOR BRICE'S NEW VENTURE.

He Buys the "Indianapolis Sentinel" and Will House it Comfortably.

Senator-elect Calvin S. Brice, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, has purchased the Indianapolls Scatinel, the organ of the Indiana Democracy. He has also bought the Occidental Hotel (known before and during the war as the Palmer House) property, on the corner of Illinole and Washington streets, the most prominent corner in the Hoosier Capital. On this he proposes to erect a magnificent building to house his newspaper. This property was pur-chased some years ago by Mr. Schnull, a coffee merchant of Indianapolls, for \$83,000. Mr. Brice paid \$300,000 for it. This shows a healthy advance in In-

dianapolis property.

Mr. Brice's intention is to give the Indiana Democracy a first class paper, something they have never yet had. Indiana being a doubtful State, this may be the means of putting her safely and securely in the Democratic column. Besides, it will enable Mr. Brice to have a say as to the Indiana delegation to the next Democratic National Convention.

The Report Denied,

INDIANAPOLIS, IND , Aug. 6,-Thereport from Washington that Senator Brice had purchased a controlling in-terest in the Indianapolis Scatteral is dented by the manager of the paper, who says there is not the least foundation for the story.

ASKING QUESTIONS.

laughten rited the latest authorities in | The Civil Service Commission Gets Rather Bublons Apewers.

The Civil Service Commissioners by Ing in doubt as to the proper construction of the last clause in the appropriation act, providing that "every community where he resided.

"There may be different forms of questions that may secure the proper result," replied Mr. Hazelton; "the titleate of an officer of the county and the county and the county are titleated to the county and the county are the ask the Attorney General If the word service in the last clause can be hold to mean closeffied Departmental service; if promotion in other branches of the Government can be held to mean pro-motion in other branches of the classified Departmental service, and what officers of a county or State can make a

> The Attorney-General replies affirmatively to the first three questions, and to the last repiles that no county offi-cers have been designated by Congress, and therefore the matter is left to the regulation of the Commission.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

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